Conferring Rights to DPH in the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)

The Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Program is part of GA DPH. Our mission is to work in partnerships to prevent, detect, and respond to events and outbreaks of healthcare-associated and antimicrobial resistant infections in Georgia. We recognize that the landscape of healthcare-associated infections in (insert hospital type) hospitals is unique. Therefore, we are interested in having (insert hospital type) hospitals join our NHSN group. Gaining access to data from (insert hospital type) hospitals will allow us to analyze data, provide information on the burden of infections, and develop education and interventions specific to this group.

We would like to emphasize that the Department of Public Health is <u>not</u> a regulatory or punitive body; we are a resource for public health in the state and we work to promote and contribute to the highest possible level of health for residents of Georgia. The HAI Program offers many resources to hospitals that participate in the Patient Safety Component of NHSN. One example is the HAI quarterly reports that summarize data from short-term acute care hospitals, long-term acute care hospitals, and inpatient rehabilitation facilities. We also offer technical assistance to our NHSN-reporting hospitals by phone and email. More information is available on our [website](#).

In order to become a member of our group:
You must first join our group in NHSN and then confer rights.
- ✓ Our group name is **State of Georgia**
- ✓ The Group ID number is **29283**
- ✓ The Joining Password is **GAhealth1!** (it is case sensitive).

<u>To join the group and confer rights:</u>
- ✓ Log into NHSN and click on **Group** and then **Join**.
- ✓ Enter the Group ID number and the Joining Password (noted above) then click the **Join Group** button.
- ✓ The Confer Rights template will display. Scroll to the bottom of the template and click the ***Accept*** button to complete conferring rights.

If you have any questions about our group or the conferring rights process, please email NHSN@dph.ga.gov.

Instructions for conferring rights:

1. Facility Administrator logs into NHSN.

2. Depending upon the facility type, a facility may be conferring rights for one of the following NHSN Modules: Patient Safety, Healthcare Personnel Safety, Long-Term Care Facility, Outpatient Dialysis. Select the appropriate component for the facility.

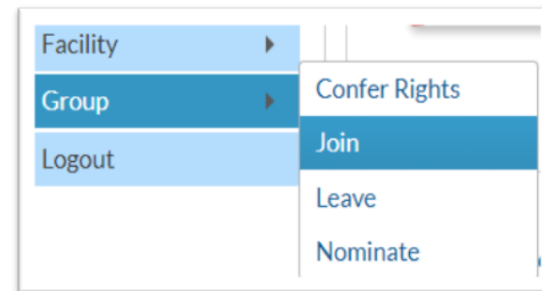Select component:

Healthcare Personnel Safety
Patient Safety

Submit

3. You will now be in the main NHSN page.

From the left navigation menu:

Facility ▶
Group ▶   Confer Rights
Logout   Join
                Leave
                Nominate

Click "Group"

Click "Join"

4. Enter the following information to join the Georgia Department of Public Health

   NHSN group:

   Group ID: **29283**

   Password: **GAhealth1!**

   Click "Join Group:

5. A warning message will pop-up. Please read the message and acknowledge by clicking "OK" to proceed.

6. When you are taken to the confer rights template, you will see the screen below. Select patient with specific identifiers: Gender, Ethnicity, Race.

7. Select Monthly Reporting Plan, Data Analysis, Facility Information, and COVID-19 View Data.

8. We are requesting access to the annual Hospital Survey Data. If applicable to your facility, you can also click Long Term Acute Care Survey Data or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Survey Data.

9. Select all Infection Events (BSI, UTI, etc.).

10. Select all MDRO events.

MDRO/CDI Events, Process and Outcome Measures
Includes Applicable Denominators and "No Events" Indicators

Plan	Month	Year	Month	Year	Location Type	Location	Other Location Requirements	Your Locations
⚠ In	January	2013	To		FACWIDE	FacWIDEIn		

Specific Organism Type:
- ☐ ACINE - MDR-Acinetobacter
- ☑ CDIF - C. difficile
- ☐ CEPHRKLEB - CephR-Klebsiella
- ☐ CRE - CRE (CRE-Ecoli, CRE-Enterobacter, CRE-Klebsiella)
- ☐ MRSA - MRSA
- ☐ MSSA - MSSA
- ☐ VRE - VRE

Event Type:
LABID - Laboratory-identified MDRO or CDI Event

Process Measures:
- ☐ Hand Hygiene
- ☐ Gown and Gloves

AST Process & Outcome Measures:

Organism	ASTAdm	AST D/T	AST Incidence	AST Prevalence
☐ MRSA	☐	☐	☐	☐
☐ VRE	☐	☐	☐	☐

11. Once finished, scroll down to the bottom of the page, and click "**Accept**".

You have successfully Conferred Rights to the State of Georgia.

Memberships

✅ Conferred Rights saved successfully for group State of Georgia (29283).